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FOR S/S - MR. SEITZ

EO 12065: RDS-1 4/5/01 (PLACKE, JAMES A.) OR-M
TAGS: OYIP, SA (HAIG, ALEXANDER M.)
SUBJECT: (U) SECRETARY'S VISIT: REVISED SCENARIO

REF: STATE 82880

1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. DIRECTOR OF ROYAL PROTOCOL, SAYYID AHMAD ABD AL-WAHAB,
CALLED CHARGE THIS MORNING (APRIL 5) FROM RIYADH TO SAY
THAT CROWN PRINCE FAHD HAD REVIEWED THE SECRETARY'S PROGRAM
AND REVISED IT. REVISED SCHEDULE REFLECTING CHANGES
DICTATED BY SAYYID AHMAD FOLLOWS.

3. TUESDAY, APRIL 7

1510 SECRETARY ARRIVES AT RIYADH AIRPORT
1530 LEAVES AIRPORT
1555 ARRIVES GUEST PALACE

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1600-1720 UNSCHEDULED TIME

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. 1720 SECRETARY LEAVES FOR NASIRIYYA PALACE
. 1730 MEETING WITH CROWN PRINCE FOLLOWED
. IMMEDIATELY BY WORKING DINNER.
. 1900(APPRX) DINNER
. 2100(APPRX) DINNER ENDS. SECRETARY LEAVES FOR GUEST
. PALACE
. 2110(APPRX) ARRIVES GUEST PALACE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

. 0800 SECRETARY'S BREAKFAST MEETING WITH
. PENINSULA AMBASSADORS
. 0900 MEETING ENDS
. 0930 (POSSIBLE, BUT NOT YET CONFIRMED) MEETING
. WITH PRINCE SAUD AT HIS RIYADH OFFICE, FIVE
. MINUTES AWAY FROM GUEST PALACE.
. 1045 LEAVE PRINCE SAUD'S OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRA-
. TIVE PALACE.
. 1100 AUDIENCE WITH KING KHALID
. 1120 AUDIENCE ENDS. SECRETARY RETURNS TO GUEST
. PALACE
. 1130 ARRIVE GUEST PALACE. HALF-HOUR UNSCHEDULED
. TIME
. 1200 LEAVE GUEST PALACE
. 1225 ARRIVE AIRPORT. DEPARTURE CEREMONY
. 1245 BOARD AIRCRAFT FOR FLIGHT TO MADRID

4. PARTICIPANTS IN EVENTS.

. A. MEETING WITH CROWN PRINCE: SAUD HAS SPECIFICALLY
ASKED THAT PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING BETWEEN HIM AND
THE SECRETARY BE HIGHLY RESTRICTED. ON THE SAUDI SIDE,
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THERE WILL BE SECOND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND COMMANDER
OF THE NATIONAL GUARD PRINCE ABDALLAH, MINISTER OF DEFENSE
PRINCE SULTAN, AND FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD. WE THINK
AMERICAN PARTICIPATION SHOULD BE HELD TO FOUR TO SIX PEOPLE
BESIDES THE INTERPRETER. WE SUGGEST THAT THE AMERICAN
SIDE INCLUDE SECRETARY HAIG, UNDERSECRETARY BUCKLEY,
COUNSELOR MCFARLANE, SENIOR ADVISOR WALTERS, ASSISTANT
SECRETARY VELIOTES, AND CHARGE PLACKE.

H B. CROWN PRINCE'S DINNER: THE DIRECTOR OF ROYAL

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PROTOCOL INFORMS US THAT A FEW MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WILL JOIN THE CROWN PRINCE FOR THE WORKING DINNER BUT THAT PARTICIPATION WILL BE LIMITED. HE SUGGESTS A GUEST LIST OF TWELVE FROM OUR SIDE. WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING IN ADDITION TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE EARLIER MEETING: SPOKESMAN FISCHER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GOLDBERG, NSC STAFF MEMBER KEMP, DAS TWINAM, USMTH CHIEF MAJOR GENERAL O'CONNELLY, AND NIG AMES.

C. CALL ON KING: WE THINK THE PARTICIPANT LIST GIVEN IN REFTEL IS FINE. THIS LIST INCLUDES: SECRETARY HAIG, UNDERSECRETARY BUCKLEY, COUNSELOR MCPARLANE, SENIOR ADVISOR WALTERS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY YELIOTES, CHARGE PLACKE, AND INTERPRETER ASLAN.

5. IF THE PROSPECTIVE MEETING WITH PRINCE SAUD ON WEDNESDAY MATERIALIZES, WE THINK THAT THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO INCLUDE THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN THE AFTERNOON MEETING WITH THE CROWN PRINCE ON THE PREVIOUS DAY AND DAS TWINAM. IN THAT CASE, THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO INCLUDE TWINAM IN THE AUDIENCE WITH THE KING, SINCE THE GROUP WOULD BE MOVING DIRECTLY FROM PRINCE SAUD'S OFFICE TO THE

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ADMINISTRATIVE PALACE FOR THE AUDIENCE WITH THE KING.

6. IN VIEW OF THE SHIFT IN SCHEDULE, THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO KEEP THE FIFTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOMS FREE FOR SUCH MEETINGS AS HE MAY WISH TO HOLD DURING GAPS IN THE SCHEDULE. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE MOVING THE BREAKFAST MEETING WITH THE PENINSULA AMBASSADORS FROM THE FIFTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM TO THE FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM.

7. COMMENT: FAHD HAS BEEN IN THE DESERT FOR THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS RESTING AND PREPARING FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT. HE CONVOYED THE SENIOR PRINCES AND ADVISORS THERE -- CAUSING SOME TO MISS OTHER APPOINTMENTS -- TO CONSIDER THE LINE TO BE TAKEN IN THE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SECRETARY AND OBVIOUSLY HAS DECIDED TO DOMINATE THE VISIT. IN CONVEYING THE CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE, SAYYID AHMAD STRESSED THAT THE REVISION WAS FAHD'S PERSONAL DECISION AND THAT PARTICIPATION WAS TO BE RESTRICTED TO FACILITATE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION. (AS THE MEETING AND THE DINNER WILL BE IN ONE OF FAHD'S RESIDENTIAL PALACES, SPACE AVAILABLE ALSO IS A CONSTRAINT.) WHEN WE CONTACTED THE MFA WORKING LEVEL
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FOLLOWING SAYYID AHMAD'S CALL, IT HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF THE SCHEDULE CHANGE BUT IMMEDIATELY ACCOMMODATED TO FAHD'S

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WISH. ALTHOUGH OUR CONTACTS BELIEVE THAT PRINCE SAUD WILL STILL WISH TO HAVE A BILATERAL DISCUSSION WITH THE SECRETARY. THEREFORE, WE HAVE REFLECTED THIS POSSIBILITY IN THE REVISED SCHEDULE.

6. OUR CONCLUSION IS THAT FAHD ATTACHES EXCEPTIONAL IMPORTANCE TO THE SECRETARY'S VISIT. WHEN HE CONSIDERED THE SCHEDULE, HE DECIDED TO PREEMPT THE PLANNED ARRANGEMENTS TO GIVE EXCLUSIVE FOCUS TO THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE SECRETARY.

[REDACTED] HIS HOSTING THE DINNER FOR THE SECRETARY IS SYMBOLIC OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE VISIT, AS FAHD RARELY ENTERTAINS VISITORS BELOW HEAD-OF-GOVERNMENT LEVEL. PLACKE

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